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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Robert Loewe

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 07 December 2007.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 2, 4 and 5 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 2, 4 and 5 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Applicant's arguments/remarks, filed on 12/7/07, have been acknowledged.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

Claims 2, 4 and 5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Specifically, Applicant's have not defined terms a, b, and c in either the specification or the claims. In the absence of a working definition for these terms, Applicant's appear to only have support for the working examples of the specification (Examples 1-3). However, these working examples fail to provide any conclusive data as to the numerical values of a, b, and c; determination of these values require that the commercially available starting materials KF-86, X-22-3939A, and KF-393 are defined in terms of the numerical values of a, b, and/or c. This information is required for Applicant's to have full support of the working examples.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, filed on 12/7/07, have been fully considered and are not persuasive. Specifically, Applicant's argue that "a", "b" and "c" "serve to distinguish and define the separate function groups, or "repeating units", making up the claimed polysiloxane." Applicant's further argue that "a", "b" and "c" can be represented by numbers (page 13 of instant Specification). However, zero is also a number as is -7 and π . The specification, while

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designating that "a", "b" and "c" can be represented by numbers, does not satisfy the metes and bounds of instant claims 2, 4 and 5. Further, Applicant's have defined the repeat units "n", "n₁", "n₂" and "m" of structures (5), (6), and (7) of the instant claims. The same is required for units "a", "b" and "c" for the metes and bounds of the instant claims to be defined.

Correspondence

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Robert Loewe whose telephone number is (571) 270-3298. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 9:30 AM to 7:00 PM EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark Eashoo can be reached on (571) 272-1197. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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